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1. REVISION OF ROMANIAN RES CONTAINED REFTTEL INCLUDES
CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS OVER ORIGINAL DRAFT (USUN 5646) BUT
STILL GIVES US SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEMS. FURTHER REVISIONS
THAT WOULD PERMIT US TO SUPPORT RES ARE DISCUSSED BELOW.
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THOSE REPRESENTED ON ORIGINAL ESCAR STUDY, IN EFFORT TO

BUILD SUPPORT FOR THESE REVISIONS. DEL SHOULD ALSO AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME PRESENT PROPOSED REVISIONS TO ROMANIANS AND URGE THEIR ACCEPTANCE TO PERMIT US TO SUPPORT RES.

2. WE WOULD PREFER DELETION OF PREAMBULAR PARA 5 IN VIEW OF FUZZINESS OF PROPOSITION THAT ARMS RACE AND EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH NEW ECONOMIC ORDER ARE "INCOMPATIBLE." IF ROMANIANS INSIST ON RETAINING PARA, WE WOULD AT MINIMUM WANT TO DELETE "AS DEFINED" AND SUBSTITUTE "REFERRED TO." OTHERWISE PARA WOULD IMPLY OUR ACCEPTANCE OF CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES, WHICH WE VOTED AGAINST.

3. OPERATIVE PARA 1 COMBINES IDEAS PREVIOUSLY STATED IN ROMANIAN RES 3075 ON ESCAR (1973) IN UNDESIRABLE WAY. RESULT IS TO PLACE "ORGANS CONCERNED WITH DISARMAMENT ISSUES" ON SAME LEVEL AS "STATES" IN CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF DISARMAMENT MEASURES. WE WOULD PREFER DELETION OF "AS WELL AS THE ORGANS CONCERNED WITH DISARMAMENT ISSUES."

4. MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM IN DRAFT RES IS PROVISION IN OPERATIVE PARA 2 FOR SYG TO UPDATE ESCAR STUDY WITH "ASSISTANCE OF QUALIFIED CONSULTANT EXPERTS." WE COULD AGREE TO UPDATE BY SYG (AS ENVISAGED IN RES 3075) BUT DO NOT BELIEVE HE REQUIRES ASSISTANCE OF EXPERTS' GROUP. CONSTITUTING SECOND GROUP OF EXPERTS FIVE YEARS AFTER ISSUANCE OF ESCAR STUDY, WHEN MAIN THRUST OF STUDY REMAINS VALID, WOULD NOT BE JUSTIFIABLE IN OUR VIEW. WE THEREFORE URGE DELETION OF "WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF QUALIFIED CONSULTANT EXPERTS APPOINTED BY HIM."

5. WE WOULD ALSO PREFER TO DELETE "COVERING THE BASIC TOPICS OF THAT REPORT AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS WHICH HE WOULD CONSIDER NECESSARY " FROM OPERATIVE PARA 2. IN CONTEXT THIS LANGUAGE SEEMS TO OPEN DOOR FOR CONSIDERING SUBJECTS NOT COVERED IN ORIGINAL STUDY. ORIGINAL ROMANIAN RES CALLED EXPLICITLY FOR EXTENSION OF REPORT "TO INCLUDE STUDY OF THE ARMS RACE ITSELF, ITS CHARACTERISTICS, DYNAMICS AND INSTITUTIONS, AS WELL AS THE DIRECTION IT IS TAKING." LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WE WOULD NOT BE WILLING TO HAVE STUDY EXTENDED BEYOND EXISTING STUDY'S TERMS OF REFERENCE.

6. WE WOULD ALSO STRONGLY PREFER DELETION OF PARA 4, ALTHOUGH WE WOULD NOT MAKE THIS A CONDITION OF OUR SUPPORT IF OTHER CHANGES CALLED FOR ARE ACCEPTED. WE THINK THAT INVITATION TO NON-GOVERNMENTAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO "COOPERATE" WITH THE SECRERY

GENERAL IS UNNECESSARY AND COULD COMPLICATE HIS TASK
IF RESULT WAS PRESSURE BY NGOS TO HAVE THEIR VIEWS
REFLECTED IN UPDATED REPORT.

7. DELEGATION MAY WISH TO REMIND ROMANIANS AND OTHERS
THAT RESOLUTION 3075 (1973) RECORDED GENERAL UNDER-
STANDING THAT THE SYG SHOULD BE PREPARED TO UPDATE
ESCAR STUDY, UPON REQUEST BY UNGA, "ON BASIS OF
INFORMATION RELEASED BY GOVERNMENTS." RES REVISED
ALONG LINES PROPOSED ABOVE WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH
THAT UNDERSTANDING. HOWEVER, IF ROMANIANS WISH MORE
EXPLICIT REFERENCE TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION, WE COULD

AGREE TO ADD "INCLUDING PROVISION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION"
TO OPERATIVE PARA 3 FOLLOWING "FULL COOPERATION." KISSINGER

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